

# Reading and Writing - June Projects

## Process for Reading and Writing Projects

Plan

Brainstorm

Research

Trips

Choose a project

Monitor progress

Share

## Goals for Independent Projects

Independence

Reflection (Interests? Where would go in a bookstore?)

Setting individual reading/writing goals

Planning/carrying out a plan

Culmination of the year (orchestrating all kids know about reading/writing and have a celebration/share)

Making reading/writing authentic

Continue and strengthen just right reading

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## Why People Read

Interests:	- OR -	Things I do as a reader
To Learn:		How to figure out words:
To Prepare:		What to think about:
		Genres I like:
		Authors I like:
		Read smoothly by:

## Reflecting on our year as readers/writers

Readers	Writers
<p>Read Aloud</p> <p>Genre</p> <p>Partner Work</p> <p>Word Study</p> <p>Post its, writing, book marks, folders</p> <p>What was hard about reading?</p> <p>Shared Reading</p> <p>Reading Habits/What I need as a reader</p>	<p>Touchtone texts</p> <p>Genre</p> <p>Partner Work</p> <p>Word Study</p> <p>Published pieces</p> <p>What was hard about writing?</p> <p>Shared Writing</p> <p>Writing Habits/What I need as a writer</p>

## **Make a reflection book**

**(do individually or as a shared reading/writing)**

Different questions and answers on each page

How you've grown

Summer plans

How did it work with your reading/writing partner

Read alouds

Characters

## **Questions to consider in reflecting on your writing...**

Which genre do you write most of? What topics do you write about the most?

What was hard about writing this year?

How have you changed as a writer?

What genre/topic would you like to write more of?

What's your favorite piece of writing?

What qualities of good writing did you find in your own writing?

## **Writing down your plan**

What's your goal?

Materials needed

How would you share with others?

Time needed

How much can you realistically do each day?

How will you know when you're done?

Other projects?

## Possible projects

Reading	Writing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Choose a strategy</li> <li>• Funny books</li> <li>• Mysteries</li> <li>• Magazines</li> <li>• Series</li> <li>• Characters</li> <li>• Picture books</li> <li>• Interests and topics</li> <li>• Teacher read alouds</li> <li>• Performance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Writing to go with my reading project</li> <li>• Writing kits (multi-purpose, multi-genre, pens, pencils, papers)</li> <li>• Write in favorite genre</li> <li>• Write in a new genre we didn't study (sci fi, comics, songs, plays, jokes, horror)</li> <li>• Expert writing (labels, lists, words, sentences) *easy to modify</li> <li>• Choose a mentor author</li> <li>• Choose a piece from earlier in the year to revise</li> </ul>

## Launch

How a project could look...

Think	Plan
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Plan	Share
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## Ongoing assessment to inform small group/individual instruction

Class list of projects on chart paper

Process chart (where are they)

Kids keep track of progress

Conference notes

Observations across the day

Sign off sheet for work done at home

**\*\*Give overzealous parents their own projects to do side by side with their kids**

## Our reading projects

Name	I'm working on...	At the end, I'm going to share...
XXX	Acting out Frog & Toad	Pics of a cool scene
XXX	Read Poetry	Illustrate
XXX	Smooth reading	Tape myself

## Our writing projects

Name	I'm working on...	At the end, I'm going to share...
XXX	Realistic Fiction	My published piece
XXX	Write a script	Act it out

## Process Chart

Reflecting	Planning	Gather Info	Working on Project	Finished and sharing	Starting a new project

\*\*Kids can plan together, but must do their projects independently

### Writing Kit Mini Lessons

Writers take care of writing kit by putting everything back neatly and are careful with paper.

Writers make plans by thinking of different kinds of writing.

Writers use post cards, greeting cards, and letters to keep in touch over the summer.

Writers use post card to send news from far away.

Writers make greeting cards for special occasions.

Writers reread to make sense.

Writers use stamps and envelopes.

Writers fancy up their work with borders, stickers, crayons, and markers.

Writers write for many purposes. (recipes and lists)

### Writing Kit suggestions

Giant zip lock

Blank aluminum lunchbox

Cloth bags

Pencil box

Plastic container

### Tools within a writing kit

Notebook, Paper sizes

Stickers

Post its

Envelopes

Personal word wall

Writing utensils